THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE R. SUBHASH REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO. 14588 OF 2002

ORDER:

This Writ Petition is filed seeking Writ of Mandamus, to direct the respondents to recognize and appoint the family members of the petitioner as Members of the Trust Board of Sri Ramalingeswara Swamy Temple, situated in Kesavarapupadu village of Karamchedu Mandal, Prakasam District.

Though the Writ Petition is of the year 2002, no counter affidavit is filed on behalf of the respondents.

But, however, it is to be noticed, that in view of the provision under Section 16 of the Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions & Endowments Act, 1987, the hereditary trusteeship was abolished; in that view of the matter, the petitioner cannot seek as a matter of right to constitute Trust Board with his family members. It is for the respondent authorities to consider the same for inclusion of the family members of the petitioner in the Trust Board. In that view of the matter, the petitioner cannot seek direction by way of Writ of Mandamus for inclusion of his family members in the Trust Board.

The Writ Petition is devoid of merits, and the same is accordingly dismissed. No order as to costs.

JUSTICE R. SUBHASH REDDY

DATED: 18-11-2005.

Msnr.